

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF  
WASTEWATER SYSTEM OPERATORS  
MINUTES  
June 16, 2009**

**The following are minutes of the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators held June 16, 2009 at the Division of Compliance Assistance in Frankfort, Kentucky.**

**Board Members Present**

Dennis Gumbert, Chairman  
David Pedigo, Vice Chairman  
Suzy Bradley  
Randy Bingham  
Larry Grubbs  
Aaron Keatley, Cabinet Representative

**Others**

Lisa Butler, Division of Compliance Assistance (DCA)  
Julia Kays, DCA  
Steve Capps, Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.  
Melissa Brothers, KWWOA

**I. Call to order**

Dennis Gumbert called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**II. Introduction of Guests**

Melissa Brothers and Steve Capps were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the May 19, 2009 minutes was entered by Dave Pedigo. Larry Grubbs seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**V. New Business**

- A. Training Application Reviews – Addendum 1
- B. Exam Requests – Addendum 2
- C. A motion to release today's training actions was made by Larry Grubbs and was seconded by Dave Pedigo. The motion carried.
- D. A motion was entered by Suzy Bradley to nominate Dave Pedigo as board chairman and Larry Grubbs as vice chairman. Dennis Gumbert seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**VI. Communications and Guest Comments**

Dennis Gumbert said in response to prompting by the board, Steve Crosman presented a segment on operator ethics at the wastewater certification school last week. He said he heard good comments from operators that attended the class.

Lisa Butler distributed the May 2009 financial report for the wastewater account. Aaron told the board that the wastewater certification program is no longer supported by general funds. Julia told the board members that the wastewater account now had a positive balance.

Julia asked board members that wish to be re-appointed to the board to e-mail their board application to her and she will submit the paper work to the Governor's office. Aaron also asked that board members send Julia names of individuals that they feel would be good board

members. All appointments will be expiring 7/30/09 except for Dennis and Dave. Their terms will expire in 2011.

Julia told the board that the collection system training manual should be ready for distribution by 6/17/09. She also explained that the manual and sample math problems with the answers would also be placed on the branch's web page.

The board discussed on line training for continuing education credit. Julia asked if providers of on line courses needed to submit the same type of documents as traditional course providers. There was discussion about requiring an exit exam with a 70% to pass and proctoring of exams. Aaron said the review of on line courses by the board could be made based on credibility of the provider and content of the course. The content could be provided in a summary format or agenda format. He suggested that these courses should be reviewed with the same degree of scrutiny as classes delivered in person. The on line course provider or the operator would have to submit proof of completion to the branch before the operator would receive credit for the hours.

Julia asked the board if they wanted to hold two working sessions to validate the wastewater exams. The board agreed to hold two working sessions. The sessions will be held after the July and August board meetings.

Julia informed the board that a register had been received for the vacant wastewater trainer position. She said that the plan was to have new person in place by 7/16/09 or 8/1/09.

Dennis thanked the board members for the opportunity to serve as board chairman and for their support in his role.

#### **VIII. Adjournment**

Suzy Bradley entered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Pedigo seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

## Training Requests

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	WW Motion passed	WW hours approved	WW process TCH #
1235	MapSync	GeoSpatial Technology for your Utility	6/3/2009	4		DG	SB	X	3.5	7124
1236	Louisville Water Company	Excavation and Trench Safety Competent Person	7/31/2009	8		DG	DP	X	8	7126
1238	Pumping Machinery, LLC	Centrifugal & Positive Displacement Pumps	6/25/2009	12		DG	SB	X	12	7113
1239	Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority	Pump Selection, Instrumentation & Controls	4/8/2009	4		DG	SB	X	3	7128
1243	Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority	Cl2 & SO2 Training - Safety & Changing Tanks 150 # & 1Ton Cylinders	4/15/2009	3.0		DG	LG	X	3	7130
1245	Morehead Utility Plant Board	Chlorine Safety Training	5/21/2009	2		DG	SB	X	2	7132
1246	Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.	Wastewater and Drinking Water Training	6/17/2009	12		DG	SB	X	12	7167
1248	WEF	Disinfection 2009 Conference	2/28/2009	12.5	Most of the sessions relate to drinking water	SB	LG	X	2.5	7169

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	WW Motion passed	WW hours approved	WW process TCH #
1250	Central Chapter KWWOA	Confined Space Training	7/18/2009	6.75		DP	SB	X	6.75	7149
1251	Ruth Lancaster	KWWOA - Asset Management	2/19/2009	1		DP	SB	X	1	7115
1252	Ruth Lancaster	KWWOA - High Value Assets	2/19/2009	1	Denied - not on core content	LG	DP	X	0	
1253	Atlas Machine & Supply	Air Operated Double Diaphragm	7/9/2009	6.5		DG	SB	X	6.5	7117

## Exam Requests

Request #	Name	AI #	Date Received by DCA	Application Type	If Reciprocity State & Current Certification	Status: Approved, Conditional Approval, Denied)	Comments	1st	2nd	Motion Carried
69	Walter R. Hale, Jr.	26663	5/11/2009	IV Collection		Approved		DG	SB	X
70	Jeffery A. Thompson	31214	5/22/2009	IV Collection		Approved		DG	LG	X
71	Mitch E. Jameson	48960	5/22/2009	IV Collection		Approved		DG	SB	X
72	David Roth	32588	6/10/2009	IV Collection		Approved		DG	LG	X